REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In response to and in accordance with the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed January 5, 2009, Applicant submits "only the corrected sections of the non-compliant amendment in compliance with 37 C.F.R § 1.121." Applicant requests the now compliant Preliminary Amendment be entered and considered.

When a strikethrough amendment extends beyond one line, the correction should not be treated as an individual correction, as in the case of "two" in line 2 of claim 3, "the" in line 3 of claim 3, "one" in line 1 of claim 6, "one" in line 1 of claim 7, "one" in line 1 of claim 10, "one" in line 1 of claim 11 and "one" in line 1 of claim 13. To make the corrections more readily readable by the Examiner, the leading three-letter words have been forced to the next line where the original strikethrough continued. Thus, they no longer appear to stand alone.

Respectfully submitted,

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